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Subject reported suspicious powder and was determined non-hazardous or harmful

Late this afternoon an adult male, age 53, visited the Weatherford United States Postal Service (USPS) to obtain his mail. Upon leaving the post office, the individual noticed a white substance on his hands and immediately went to the ER for evaluation. Medical City Weatherford personnel followed appropriate protocol by placing the individual in quarantine. The individual continued to show no symptomatic signs.

At 4:56 p.m., Weatherford 9-1-1 received a call from Medical City Weatherford of the situation and arrived on scene at 5:01 p.m. The Weatherford Fire Department requested the Fort Worth Fire Department Hazmat Unit for on-site testing. It was determined the white substance was negative for Anthrax, biological, radiological, chemical weapons, drugs, explosives and numerous environmental air quality conditions. The test further concluded the white substance is not harmful or hazardous to the public.

For precautionary reasons, the Weatherford Police Department also responded to the Weatherford USPS office and found no evidence of any harmful substance. The facility was turned back over to the USPS Inspector.

The City of Weatherford would like to acknowledge the quick actions by Medical City Weatherford, the USPS Inspector from the Fort Worth Division and Fort Worth Fire Department Hazmat Unit. Our primary goals are to insure the safety of everyone, to continue serving the public and to provide the most accurate information we can as quickly as possible.

****City of Weatherford****

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